# CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to §§ 91-3 and 92-41, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS"), notice is hereby given that the Department of Planning and Permitting ("DPP" or "Department") will hold a public hearing to consider the amendment and compilation of the Rules to Implement City's Affordable Housing Requirements (2019) ("AHR Rules"). The purpose of the proposed amendments is to modify the maximum permissible rents of for-rent affordable housing units governed by the AHR Rules and the eligibility requirements for affordable, for-sale housing units. The hearing will be held at the following time and location:

Date: Friday, January 12, 2024

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Place: In-Person meeting (with remote access options) at the Frank F. Fasi

Municipal Building, 650 South King Street, 6th Floor Conference Room,

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

A brief description of the proposed rule amendments is provided below:

### § 2-12 Affordable Rental Unit Rates

Amends subsection (c) by clarifying that for-rent affordable housing projects that have an affordable housing agreement in place on the effective date of the proposed rule are excluded from the proposed rule amendments.

Replaces subsection (d) of the existing Rules with a new subsection (d) that establishes a new maximum monthly rent applicable to for-rent affordable housing units that do not have an affordable housing agreement in place on the effective date of the proposed rule.

Renumbers subsections (d).

Renumbers subsection (e) and amends the text of subsection (e) to eliminate rent price adjustments according to the number of bedrooms.

### § 3-2 Eligibility Requirements: Affordable For-Sale Housing Units

Deletes paragraph (a)(5), requiring proof of sufficient gross monthly household income to qualify for financing, in the entirety.

Renumbers paragraphs (a)(6) to (a)(8).

A copy of the proposed rules is available for review online at <a href="https://www.honolulu.gov/dpp">https://www.honolulu.gov/dpp</a> or may be reviewed in person at the Department of Planning and Permitting, 7th Floor, Frank F. Fasi Municipal Building, 650 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, during normal business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday). Please call (808) 768-8018, or email

<u>dpp@honolulu.gov</u> to request mailing of rules, which shall be subject to payment for copying and postage fees.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND TESTIMONY

The public may join the public hearing and offer testimony from a computer, smartphone, telephone, or in person as follows:

 Join the public hearing from a computer: (Please mute your devices except to testify)

https://globalpage-prod.webex.com/join

Meeting Number: 2487 078 3843

Meeting Password: dpp1

 Join the public hearing from the WebEx smartphone app: (Please mute your devices except to testify)

Meeting Number: 2487 078 3843

Meeting Password: dpp1

 Join the public hearing from a telephone (audio only): (Please mute your devices except to testify. Press \*6 to unmute and remute yourselves)

408-418-9388 (USA Toll) Access code: 2487 078 3843 Numeric meeting password: 3771

Oral testimony via phone or Webex: To provide oral testimony during the online meeting via phone or Webex, we suggest you register in advance by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2024, by emailing your name, phone number, and subject matter to <a href="mailto:dpp@honolulu.gov">dpp@honolulu.gov</a>.

Attendance at the public hearing is not necessary to submit testimony. Written testimony, data, views or arguments with respect to the proposed amendments to the Rules may be faxed (808) 768-6743 or mailed to 650 South King Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 to the Department prior to the close of the public hearing and will be considered.

Note: If you require special assistance, auxiliary aid and/or service to participate in this event (i.e. sign language interpreter, interpreter for language other than English, or wheelchair accessibility), please call (808) 768-8000, or email your request to <a href="mailto:dpp@honolulu.gov">dpp@honolulu.gov</a> at least three business days prior to the event. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats such as large print, Braille, or electronic copy.

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